It was brought about in rather a prious fashion. Napoleon III., who da high opinion of his own mility abilities—he was a theoretical rategist of no mean skill—had annuaced by determining the prior that the state of the state o

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INFANT PHENOMENON.

DENVER, COL., July 8 .- Oklahome has inspired the Democratic convention. Oklahoma has given its blessing to the Democratic convention.

oklahoma will write the platform of the Democratic convention.

The history of the forty-eight memhers of the Union offers no example to equal this State's precoclousness.

wrongly, the Guffey fight t Denver took shape yesterday as a struggle between Bryan and antiwas to rebuke Bryan, who has dubbed him a bushwhacker and a thirteen States voted for this

rebuke, seven States of the South, Bryan's entrenchment was secure, being among them Virginia was among light and is omnipresent. We saot been suspected. But under hould a Virginian, member of a delegato administer a rebuff to him where it could not possibly do any

can hope for now is to perfect and develop its organization with the grim resolve to reassume control of the party in 1912.

THE PRIMARY AND A MAJORITY VOTE.

Mr. Robert W. Withers seems to take why he limited himself to six weeks. Would not six been as nearly accurate

wise to discard the most effective and definite of all systems because it fails to do what no system can do. Where

WILL GERMANY TAX HER BACHE-

In coming out boldly in shown himself fully abreast with the modern spokesmen of advanced legis. And Peary starts to find the pole he individual is more or less thor-

Sparta, on the Solltude. to defeat the contemptible tactics of race-suiciders,

In this country vari not attractive to most civilized minds. to prove a severe strain upon the public spirit even of the Vaterland.

weakness of the esteemed News ventilated crimes so him would recessarily say that the revolting stains Wilde from public honor

Borrowed Jingles

LEST WE FORGET.

We've Patti's tours of fond farewell And Bryan's candidating stunts; There's July's annual torrid spell, T. Roosevelt's devastating hunts and Peary's scramble for the pole.

And prohibition candidates:
We see the lid man getting lax;
The Standard Oll puts up its rates:
Just now the heaf trust levies toll— While Peary dashes for the pole,

An actress loses jewels rare; Each year the circus comes to to The peach crop falls in Delaware; Wilhelm has Then Wall Street grabs some trusting

A song hit ripples through the land; Come fashions, sheath and otherwise; The tariff question comes to hand: A panic puts us in the hole Still Peary hunts the blamed old pole

MERELY JOKING.

ner different "I wish I were an ostrich," said Hicks which made biscuits, but couldn't. "I wish you were," returned Mrs. Hicks "I'd get a few feathers for my hat,"— Globe.

"I thought you had money enough for dash to the pole."
"I have," replied the arctic explorer, the expedition for my relief we're as furds for now,"—Philadelphia Fubile Le

"I cannot live but a week

"Cheer up, my boy. You're bound to the girl in the end."
"I'm afraid not, Life ain't no m drama."—Pittsburg Post.

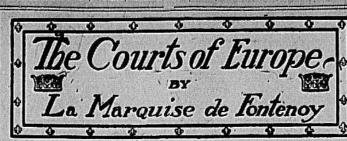
And the Last Shall Be First

"Pa, what is a political leader?"
"A man who is able to see which way to crowd is going, and follows with lo whoops in that direction."—Home Herald.

OBSERVATIONS BY THE PARAGRAPHERS HET have produced a serious charge against Dryan at last. They say he wore whikers while at college, and we re left to wonder if thirty years of cleanly-haven physiognomy is not sufficient to tone for it.—Houston Post.

orner in the disaster news.—Washington

PERSONAL AND GENERAL. The elephant has only eight teeth.



Hyde, married to the sister of the sixth Lord Somers, and a daughter, Lady Edith Villers, He is the son of that Lord Clarendon who played to important a role under Queen Victoria as Scoretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and was responsible for the friendship between the British eigning house and the French Emeror and Empress.

It was brought a son, Lord the gift, since shortly afterwards they rose against him, and deprived him not only of his throne and of his liberty, but also of his head. Another relic is the portrait of the Infanta Catherine of Portugal, which was sent over to Charles II. for his inspection, and which so captivated him that he error and Empress.

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THE LAW'S DELAY,

Nothing to Favor It; All Reason Against It.

t the legal profession through its anny associations would more practi-ally and persistently bestir itself the hitef defects of our judicial adminis-ration could be corrected before many

is is not a consummation ed. The initiative of reform ly special a reform resides in the legal profession, and its guidance reform should be formu-lated and established.—Chicago Trib-

CLOTHES AND MANNERS.

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TEDDY BEARS SLUMP.

Since the political doings at Chicago Teddy bears, it seems, have been con-

called, is of very recent adoption.

The inroad of negligee on manners is a serious phase of the question. The shirtwalst man is endurable in his place, but that place is clearly in his place, but that place is clearly in the proposal respectively of serious phase of the question of shirts are confort compensate for the necessary loss of self-respect? The line of project in summer clothes is now so lax that it should not needlessly be overstepped.—New York Tribune.

MORE IMPORTANT THAN POLITICS.

Thousands of Men Return to the Pitiaburg hey are getting and to many other they are thrashing over old straw; in Pittsburg they are getting in the proposal respectively of John Adams and Charles also comes from Pittsburg they are getting in the grown to work. According to press reports, 50,000 men in that city and come to work. According to press reports, 50,000 men in that city and consistent of the content of the straw; in Pittsburg hey are getting in the great of the content of the cont

Steamer Races With Whales.

Racing with a school of big whales for nearly fifty miles was the unusual experience of the German freight steamship Barcelona, which arrived at Mystle wharf yesterday from Hamburs.

Captain Fuller declared that he never saw whales so bold. They completely surrounded the vessel, swimming along with her and evidently greatly enjoying her company.

The Barcelona is making her first trip to Boston for several months. Captain Fuller said he left Hamburg June 11th, and had fine weather throughout the passage. No ice was seen, although the weather was partectly clear in the passage. No ice was seen, although the weather was partectly clear in the passage. No ice was seen, although the wackers are consisting of 7.300 (ans of the kinglet and reference of the series of t Steamer Races With Whales

Voice of the People

The Convention and the Primary.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:

would require a third or fourth or a fifth-day primary to determine

From what has just been said you

practicable.

Just here let me emphasize

weakness of our present primary plan—we have no organization to fight battles nor to elect our candidates after they are chosen in the primary. This is the only "sense" I tried to knock into the head of The Times-Dispatch, While you may no know of any move "to take these (executive) duties from the party convention or to abolish that institution altogether as superfluous," nevertheless, by reason of our present primary plan, which has an eye single to the choice of candidates, the convention has, in the language of our recently departed leader, fallen into "innouous desuctude" never to be revived until the choice of candidates, Except in the kinth District, where, for reasons herein pointed out, the primary plan has been nullifled, there has not been a district or State convention held in Virginia for the purpose of building platforms, providing machinery for the election of nominees, etc., since the primary party law went into effect. We have ceased to have a party organization in this State; the ordinary citizen has no volce in framing the policies of his party and no means to choose zen has no voice in framing the policies of his party and no means to choose for himself the candidates for his of his party and no means to choose for himself the candidates for his party's nominations. The candidate seeks the office, and the office no longer seeks the man. The Democratic party has devenerated into a horde of hungry office-seekers, with no principles, no platforms, no policies, no organization, and with scant means provided for the perpetuation of party officers—all has been sacrificed in the mad scramble for office. Yours vary truly, ROBT, W. WITHERS. Suffolk, Va., July 7, 1908.